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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The present paper is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed on January 18, 2005, in which the Examiner required restriction to one of two groups of claims. Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and consideration of the subsequent remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page * of this paper.